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Big chill begins as ice and snow arrive

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The most widespread November snowfall since 1993 has arrived as forecast across many parts of the UK, with snow falling mainly across northern Scotland and north-east England, but also over parts of Northern Ireland, Wales and south-west England.

The cold and snow showers are forecast to affect other parts of the UK by the weekend, with widespread overnight frosts and day-time temperatures struggling to reach much above 3 °C. These colder conditions are expected to persist through the weekend and next week.

Met Office warnings of severe weather for snow and icy roads are in force across parts of northern and eastern England and Scotland, where snow showers will become increasingly frequent in places. There is also a risk of snow further west over parts of Wales and south-west England during Friday.

Met Office Chief Forecaster, Andy Page, said: “There is no doubt that the UK will see very cold weather for the rest of the week and over the weekend. Icy roads and snow will be a risk for many, and the public are advised to stay up to date with the forecast to make sure they have the latest information.”

Throughout the winter, the Met Office works with the Department of Health and NHS to help keep people well at times of severe weather. Our specially produced health forecasts, such as Healthy Outlook for COPD patients, give professionals and patients the opportunity to take action to help keep them well, as cold and snow take hold.

Keep up to date with the latest forecast and warnings

More about snow and how to report your snow observations

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